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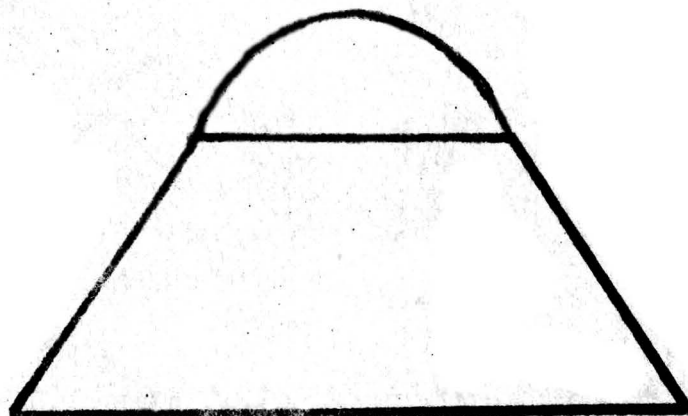
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An editorial on the CIA and the UFO
By James A. Spaulding

In a surprising move, last month, the CIA has sent to our organization some sanitized documents involving the Ralph Mayher photo incident of 1952. We had begun to request data from this secret intelligence organization immediately after the declassification of the Robertson Panel Report (Durant-December 1974). It had become obvious to our organization that the CIA was instrumental in the total UFO picture and it is becoming more apparent each day.

It was too much to assume that the Air Force (Project Blue Book) was gathering all this data over the years, just to file it away and/or destroy it after a slight retention period.

Apparently the CIA has been the prime recipient of all the important UFO data, ie, R/V cases, military sightings, etc., during the years of the official USAF investigation. There is alarming proof that the AF systematically gave the intelligence organizations the best of the hard data, including any pictorial evidence. The UFO information comes from both military sightings and civilian reports.

The Mayher incident supplies hard evidence of a continual intelligence operation interested in the UFO phenomena. Mayher's UFO sighting is considered non-spectacular, in comparison to some of the offerings being presented today. However the incident does offer an interesting twist to the normal photographic incidents. Besides the fact that the case was one of multiple witnesses and well photographed, it has been "played" down by our governmental/military establishment as a routine occurrence, and void of any specific value.

Then, if this is the case, why did the government's secret intelligence agencies confiscate the film data from the prime witness. Obviously the movie segment was analyzed and some extremely important data was retrieved. If this was not the truth the government would stop lying about the present disposition of this film and their endless denials of non-intervention in this case.

We have recently obtained proof, from the CIA - via pressure with the Freedom of Information ACT (FOIA), that the government's "leading" intelligence organization was involved in the Mayher sighting.

Why is the CIA interested in Mayher's pictorial evidence? It is more than an assumption that the "UFO powers" in government realize, as does GSW, that his movies afford proof of an extraordinary flying craft. These pictures, along with the Trent photographs, underwent extensive computer analysis and have passed each test. Maybe this is the reason the CIA has kept this data to themselves!

As our organization continues to press for release of UFO information from the government officials, we learn additional substantiating facts. The CIA and NSA have been involved in collecting UFO data for years. This information is being kept from the scientific community and the body politic.

If our research is ever going to bear any qualifying facts, it will be through the pursual of government-held data and photographs. After all, who gave the government the right to do what they have done to ufology?

THE WAY THINGS ARE TODAY- A LOOK AT UFOLOGY THROUGH BIASED EYES

One can not say with complete confidence that 'scientific ufology' is in a good position today. There are so many problems existing within this subjectively researched phenomena that tend to add to the present poor posture of the subject. When one looks objectively at the UFO subject he sees a multitude of problems as follows:

- 1) The subject has no direct leadership or central board of consultants to guide the total efforts.
- 2) There are no ground rules existing, with the exception of a few FIMs, therefore each organization and/or researcher is off on their own tangent.
- 3) There are a hundred theories existing, with no quantifying action being taken to substantiate even one hypothesis.
- 4) A lack of continuity exists between organizations, therefore no harmony.
- 5) Limited funds.
- 6) Insufficient technical manpower.
- 7) Insufficient sophisticated instrumentation.
- 8) A division of the parapsychical "believer" and the physical investigator.
- 9) Lack of communication - no dissemination of data to researchers.
- 10) No set goals for the future.

I am sure there are hundreds of additional areas of problems, some petty and others alarming, however, I believe this encapsulates the habitual ones.

To most people UFOs only exist as ridiculous sensationalized and tantalizing media stories. They care about the subject for the duration of the article and then wonder off to everyday reality, concerned only about inflation, installment payments, etc. Rightly so, after all, one can not be criticized for showing affection towards the art of earthly survival.

One group of UFO supporters exists in great numbers within this vast field - the hobbyist. The hobbyist attacks this phenomena with about as much finesse as an amputated brain surgeon, one hundred percent pure emotion and no common sense. This individual contributes a little to the subject, generally this person will attend a lecture (with a tape recorder), read a book, and then proceed to donate ten dollars to a UFO group to become a joiner.

In my position I must ask what good will this person perform on a field investigation? Your right, absolutely none! I would like to have a dollar each time an important data point was lost with an incompetent field investigator.

Then enters another type, the weekend theorist. This person generally has read many UFO books, seen many a movie on the phenomena and belongs to at least two UFO organizations. He sees UFOs as something presently unexplainable and then offers theories that make John Keel look humble. He proclaims, "you'll never get anywhere studying just nuts and bolts hardware cases."

"The earth is an UFO base" and "Beware of magnetic flux fields existing within the Bermuda Triangle."

A quasi-articulate speaker, like our theorist, will direct small meetings for his fellow believers and convince hundreds of laymen that the UFO phenomenon is inner dimensional and/or parapsychical in nature.

This is exactly what the government wants from any study into this subject, confusion and a general degrading to the same level as model railroad clubs. For every major step forward, by the scientific UFO movement, we lose three with help from these "helpful" theorists.

Still another type of UFO believer is the religious/medaphysical supporter. This person strongly believes that appearance of the UFO represents good messages from heaven as if to signal the Second Coming of Christ.

With ESP overtones this classification of believer sees good vibrations in all UFO reports, with heavy emphasis on contactee cases. The George Adamskis' and Dan Frys' became heroes for they have spoken with the high-level spacemen. These single-witnessed encounters offer tangible proof of a 'good' alien race that wishes to help the technologically poor earthman. Trite photographs of lamp shades and artifacts are believed to be authentic by this type of follower. Forget evidence, you do not need it, because with their logic UFOs are real!

Ufology becomes a religion. Every natural occurrence, with a slight mystery becomes an alien sign or an alien warning. An unfortunate earthquake is the workings of spacemen, a warning to stop environmental poisoning to mention one of hundreds of beliefs by these sick people.

Sounds ridiculous, but the religious/parapsychical believer accounts for 50% of the personage involved in the 'study' of the phenomena and are the largest purchasers of the tabloids.

These persons now have support from some highly educated people. A segment of the interested scientific community is now studying contactee/abduction cases. What kind of incident are we referencing? Cases like the Pascagoula fisherman, Betty and Barney Hill and Travis Walton to mention a few.

This type of UFO encounter is intriguing for it generally begins as a "physical" UFO sighting with space creatures, throw in an abduction and finish with an educated doctor in psychology administering a multitude of tests, including regressive hypnosis and psychological profiles, to prove the authenticity of the encounter.

The media jumps upon these cases as being valid because of the involvement by the doctor in science. This in turn, adds support to our medaphysical believer. However, the biggest problem with cases of this nature is that the testing, the "Scientific Testing", is never completed or as thorough as it should be. Granted, in some cases, after a witness "passes" a hypnotic session, it appears the witness actually had a psychological experience, but that is all he had, and nothing is ever proven!

In many incidents of this nature, when a true UFO researcher takes the time to actually investigate the whole sighting he will find numerous discrepancies in the story and the testing methodology. During many of the cases the hypnotist is of the cracker-jack variety, he or she would not know if the witness was "under" or just faking. There is a total lack of objectivity which outrightly violates the rules of the true scientist and this is another reason why UFOs are what they are today. Unconsciously or deliberately the scientist has helped the parapsychical believer. This only splits ufology further, widens the gap, as the occupant is accepted prior to the object.

Then enters our final entry - the UFO researcher, who sees everything through physical evidence eyes. This narrow-minded person looks only at the solid facts and objective testing. It's a good thing this person exists or scientific ufology would have died years ago. Our computer figures and an educated guess place this type of person at less than a thousand individuals, a good indicator of a truly endangered species.

This individual has not completely made up his mind as to the origin of the phenomena, although the ET hypothesis looks extremely promising. He "believes" that UFOs represent nuts and bolts type hardware and not some supernatural/psychological experience.

Unfortunately he is fighting for survival, after all how can a boring radar/visual (R/V) case compete with the abduction of the woodcutter or the fisherman. UFO sightings are boring to the media, unless they involve space creatures or some other sensationalized news tidbit. The researcher must tolerate all the verbal abuses existing within the confines of the subject, see his colleges go off into the wild blue yonder chasing parapsychical wet dreams, watch a confused media report the inconsistencies and stand awed while watching the body politic say there all a bunch of raving lunatics.

With all these plus things going for the physical-oriented researcher, he must continue to overcome these problems. He must not turn from his predetermined goals to scientifically investigate the phenomena. He must place the object prior to the occupant and study the hard evidence.

The whole subject of UFOs is controversial enough without adding black magic. If anything is ever going to be accomplished in your life time we must get off the ferris wheel and head in an objective, straight forward path.

Unless some positive steps are taken by the serious researcher, he's going to find it very lonely out there, by himself, surrounded by the cultist and inner dimensional worshiper. I for one, hate to see this happen.

GSW recommends the following organizations and/or bulletins to better inform the serious UFO researcher - Contact this office for further details.

Ufology Magazine
D. W. Hauck
P.O. Box 3073
Munster, IN 46321 (\$3.95 per year)

MUFON (Skylook Magazine)
Mr. Walt Andrus
103 Oldtown Road
Salem, NY 13155

CUFOS (Periodical newsletters,
Dr. Allen Hynek
924 Chicago Avenue
Evanston, IL 60202

The Last Straw
By William Spaulding

Due to heavy mail response from our membership and friends regarding the APRO criticism on the Travis Walton fiasco, this month we will provide a supplement to our bulletin that offers total proof that the whole incident was a hoax. This includes retracting our former statement to that possibly an 'object' was observed. Not only is Walton and 'his' witnesses lying, but there is strong evidence that the leadership of APRO is involved in covering-up truths that would have ended this ridiculous story months ago.

APRO's obvious involvement in abduction cases is increasing each month. Their bulletin is now printing more sensationalizing cases than the leading tabloid in the country. It is now common knowledge that APRO's "scientific" involvement with the Pascagoula incident was ultra-subjective. Some of the subjectiveness is well-defined in the results of the polygraph testing and the regressive hypnosis technique. No absolute results were ever obtained. ED NOTE. See the Pascagoula article expose' in this issue for complete details. With this in mind who can honestly say the proper tests were conducted with Travis Walton?

I am truly sick of the redundant verbage coming from APRO, the chastisement towards myself, and that of our organization. They are using the cheapest shots possible in their trite remarks and writings on the Walton farse. I have kept my mouth shut, maybe too long, during our continuing investigation into the Heber incident. We can not endure any more of this damaging verbage from our "friends" in Tucson, just because we do not personally agree and can prove that their findings are false!

Travis Walton is to ufology, what busing is to Boston. This incident is a trial case for everyone in investigative researching. I personally feel if we accept Walton as being valid, then let us unitedly endorse Danial Fry and George Adamski.

There is some good buried in this whole mess. All serious field investigators and researchers should learn to search for all the facts then make your own hypothesis. The more mysterious the incident, the more objective we must become. Travis Walton's case does not rule out the possibility of an authenticacted abduction-type incident occurring. All it did, or should have done, was to sharpen our senses. If we violate the rules of scientific analysis, look out, because it will only enhance the problems in the investigation of this phenomena.

The following data points are detailed in this issue and are offered as absolute proof of a hoax:

- 1) A tape recording exists (in GSW procession) of Duane Walton and Mike Rogers, recorded on site during the time of the disappearance, telling the world of their (Walton's) previous UFO experiences.
- 2) Two witnesses have testified on the Walton family's previous UFO record, indicating a strong belief in the subject.
- 3) Falsification of the polygraph testing.
- 4) A motive for the sighting.

- 5) An affidavit from a prominent person involved in this case, proving all the reported data is subjective and false.
- 6) Proof of a tabloid's monetary involvement.

Which leads me to the following in the last issue of the APRO Bulletin (March 1976) the Lorenzen's strongly imply that the six individuals involved in the Walton investigation take a polygraph test. Their logic is simple; Travis Walton is telling the truth, therefore, the balance of the participants are lying. ED NOTE. ironically the six individuals, myself included, do not believe in this outer space fairy tale.

All this data aside, I will take a lie detector test if the following data points are met:

- A) The Lorenzen's must take the test.
- B) Travis Walton must be given a qualifying re-test.
- C) The tabloids can not pay for the testing.
- D) A competent scientific individual must administer the test, as described in our June Summer Bulletin.

I deplore APRO's outward lying and subjective testing. It is one thing to be fooled by a UFO incident or to make a judgement mistake, however, it is another thing to outrightly lie and print the same. Who in the future will ever believe anything they say?

For months GSW has been working with Philip Klass, a renown skeptic to the ET hypothesis, by supplying him with all the data we had on the Travis Walton case. As we have stated previously, if the Walton sighting would have been left to stand, scientific ufology would have been set back another twenty years. The entire staff of GSW admires the fine investigative reporting performed by Mr. Klass on this incident.

Although we do not agree with all his findings on previous UFO sightings, we concur 100% with his findings on the Pascagoula and Walton incidents. Our positive words towards Mr. Klass is not because his results complement ours, but rather, it is refreshing to see some objective researching in the field of ufology. This is what its all about!

(*)1 - Sheriff Gillespie
Stanford Flake
Ken Copland
William Spaulding
Lester Steward
Philip Klass

PASCAGOULA ABDUCTION
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About the only thing that actually got abducted at Pascagoula was scientific ufology's already precarious credibility. Dr. Harder, the prime researcher on this case, never had any credibility to lose. The fact that he is Director of Research for APRO speaks for itself. Toss in his affiliation with the National Enquirer and you can be sure that Harder is about as reliable as a broken

watch. Harder is to Ufology what Nixon is to the Presidency: an embarrassment. However, Hynek is giving Harder a run-for-the-money to see who can be proclaimed the expert in UFO abduction cases. Hynek's only redeeming quality is that he has learned how to state the obvious and make it sound as though he were making a scientific observation. Harder makes no such pretenses, and therefore does not cause confusion when one attempts to judge his veracity. As you shall see, both Hynek and Harder were about as thorough in their investigation of the Pascagoula incident as the FBI was in investigating the Watergate break-in.

The basic story of the Pascagoula "abduction"--in case anyone is not familiar with the plot, by now--is that two men, Charles Hickson and Calvin Parker, were fishing one evening (Oct. 11, 1973) near the Shaupe Shipyard in Pascagoula, MS. Suddenly, a mysterious blue light-source appeared and descended to the water, a few feet from where the men were fishing. It turns out that this light-source was actually a space-craft--which Hickson has subsequently described as being 10ft., 16-18 ft., and 30 ft. in diameter--at various times. The spacecraft opens up and three humanoid aliens float over to Hickson and Parker, and proceed to "float" them aboard the craft. Once aboard the craft, they are given the usual "examination." (Sounds familiar, doesn't it?) After the "examination," the two men suddenly find themselves back outside and the craft has disappeared. Incidentally, Parker "passed out" when the craft first landed--so he doesn't remember any of the details.

Of course Hickson, being the fine, upstanding citizen that he is--immediately after this incident stopped at the local newspaper office (Mississippi Press) to report his fantastic experience. However, there was no one there except the cleaning man--so Hickson opted for his second choice and called the Sheriff's Department. The Sheriff took down the gist of the story and requested Hickson to come back the next morning. Subsequently, Hickson and Parker were taken to a local hospital for examination and then were later taken to Keesler AFB for further examination and interrogation. None of these examinations revealed any physical abnormalities, ie, radiation in the blood, burns, marks, etc.

Within hours after the Pascagoula "abduction" story hit the national press wires, the big "two" of Ufology, Hynek and Harder, were on their way to Pascagoula. After a brief interview with the two men, Hynek was quoted as saying, "I think they're telling the truth. I think they had a genuine UFO experience." With those words, Hynek had placed his foot in his mouth, and he about to swallow it. But first he had to wait for Harder to complete his now-famous time-regression hypnosis session. Admittedly, Harder had trouble "putting them under" his spell, but evidently succeeded and was satisfied that the men were telling the truth. Following the hypnosis session, Hynek and Harder held a news conference. Hynek was quoted as saying: "There's simply no question in my mind that these men have had a very real, frightening experience, the physical nature of which I am not certain about--and I don't think we have any answers to that. But I think we should very definitely point out that under no circumstances should these men be ridiculed. They are absolutely honest. They have had a fantastic experience and I also believe it should be taken in context with experiences that others have had elsewhere in this country and in the world." (Emphasis added)

(ED NOTE:) Dr. Hynek has since stated he was misquoted during the 1973 press conference. In a meeting with William Spaulding he said the press was confused as to whom they were talking to, since both of their last names begin with an "H". In essence Hynek said, "the men had an experience that was real to them and they were not lying."

Harder's statement was more positive; he said he thought the men had been abducted by extraterrestrial beings. In answer to a reporter's question, Harder also stated that "A very strong feeling of terror is practically impossible to fake under hypnosis."

Regardless, the implication is strong that two scientists have validated this incident and the public has placed extreme credibility in this sensationalized abduction case. How thorough was their investigation? Let me put it this way: to say it was superficial would be a compliment. Among the things that they overlooked was the fact that this incident supposedly occurred at 7 p.m. (fading daylight) and the spot where the two men were fishing at was in clear view of the town, the nearby bridge, and the shipyard. Yet, not one other person saw anything out of the ordinary occur! Additionally, neither Hynek nor Harder bothered to check into the main witness's background. If they had, they would have found out the Charles Hickson had been fired by his former employer, Ingalls Shipyards, on November 20, 1972. They would have found out that Hickson was fired for "conduct unbecoming a supervisor." (His superiors alleged that Hickson had borrowed money from the men working under him, and he tried to pay them back by arranging promotions for them.) If Hynek and Harder had cared to check a little further, they would have found out that Charles Hickson filed for bankruptcy on June 6, 1973, in the U.S. District Court in Biloxi, MS. The reason for this bankruptcy filing was given as "hopelessly high personal debts."

Hickson and Parker, within a few days after the incident, retained an attorney, Joe R. Colingo, to act as an intermediary between themselves and anyone who wished to hear their story. Colingo was sure that the men's story would be worth "a million dollars." It was Colingo who arranged for Hickson to take a polygraph exam. Colingo chose Scott Glasgow of the Fendleton Detective Agency, New Orleans, LA. On October 30, 1973, Hickson was given a polygraph test by Glasgow signed an affidavit in which he stated: "It was my opinion that Charles Hickson told the truth when he stated (1) that he believed he saw a spaceship, (2) that he was taken into the spaceship, (3) that he believed he saw three space creatures."

On the surface, at least, Hickson would seem to have been telling the truth. However, the facts are that no one has been able to see any data from this polygraph exam; nor has anyone been able to induce Hickson to undergo any further examination--despite offers by investigators to pay for these exams. Hickson has been adamant in rejecting any efforts to subject him to additional testing.(*). The polygraph examiner, Scott Glasgow, has been investigated and it has been discovered that while he graduated from a reputable polygraph school, National Training Center of Lie Detection, he has never been certified by that school. (The school requires that each graduate, after he has been operating for a period of one year, submit all of his tests to the Center for evaluation. No pupil is certified until he does so, and no operator is certified unless it is determined by the evaluation that he is following the procedures of the Center and demonstrating good judgement.) Mr. Glasgow had not applied for his certification--despite the fact that he had, in his words, "been in business approximately one year."

It seems rather ironic that Hickson's lawyer, Colingo, would select such an inexperienced polygraphist--if he were sincerely interested in verifying Hickson's claims. Keep in mind that there were many experienced and well-established examiners available--geographically closer than Glasgow--but Colingo chose Glasgow. It also seems ironic that Glasgow describes Hickson's examination as being a series of four tests--each one lasting from three to five (3-5) minutes! Actually, the word I should be using to describe this affair is suspect--not "ironic."

Let's face the facts: Hynek and Harder got taken-in by a clever con-artist. However, if they had conducted more than just a superficial investigation--they would have had serious doubts as to whether this incident ever happened. As it was, they left us with the impression that they had subjected these two men to rigorous examination. Hynek apparently placed a lot of faith in Harder's hypnotic session. Yet, I wonder how reliable Harder's hypnosis is. I have conferred with a Professor at the University of Wisconsin in Madison, who teaches a graduate hypnosis course, and he informs me that it is extremely easy for a subject to fake a hypnotic trance. He warns that any hypnotist must be very alert to this possibility and unless the hypnotist is extremely wary, he can be easily fooled. As for a subject being able to portray terror or hysteria--let's just say that we're all capable of being actors--except some of us are better than others. Apparently, Hickson was good enough to fool Harder - but that might not be saying much, as Hynek proceeded to verify the subjective testing.

Charles Hickson succeeded in fooling the two leading UFO researchers, and he did "put Pascagoula on the map." In fact, Pascagoula became almost a household word. However, the "millions" he evidently thought he would earn from selling his story never materialized. Hickson also achieved some personal glory by appearing on some TV talk-shows--but he also helped to destroy his own credibility by doing so. Each time Hickson appeared on a show his story changed slightly. The time that the incident took place became 9 p.m.--instead of 7 p.m. The size of the spacecraft grew from its original "10 ft." to "30 ft." in diameter. Inconsistency became his trademark. But, as everyone knows, Hickson eventually faded from the scene. He's probably back in Pascagoula--scratching out a living on some mundane job, and wondering just what the hell a man has to do in order to make the magical million bucks.

Meanwhile, Hynek and Harder continue to flit around the country--bestowing their blessings on these improbable "contact" stories. They have so confused the public that when the truth is presented--no one will be able to recognize it. Harder keeps collecting paychecks from the Enquirer, and Hynek keeps pleading for the government to grant him funds for his "research." Let me ask you something: If you were the government--would you give Hynek any money to investigate this segment of ufology?

(*) In October 1975 at the Fort Smith UFO conference Hickson flatly refused to take a qualifying polygraph re-exam. The UFO symposium billed this test as one of the main features of this event.